

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. - 9. (Cancelled)

10. (Previously Presented) An electrically driven power steering apparatus comprising:

a housing;

a ball shaft extending within said housing and connected to a steering mechanism;

a motor having a rotor;

a ball screw nut, connected to said rotor of said motor, for converting a rotational force of said rotor into a force acting in an axial direction and transferring the same force to said ball screw shaft;

a bearing for supporting said ball screw nut so as to be rotatable with respect to said housing; and

a presser member, screwed to said ball screw nut, for thus pressing said bearing against said ball screw nut,

wherein said presser member includes a connection member for connecting said presser member to said ball screw nut so that said presser member and said ball screw nut are unable to relatively rotate.

11. (Original) An electrically driven power steering apparatus according to claim 10, wherein said connection member connects said presser member to said ball screw nut so as to be unable to relatively rotate by use of a shearing force of a resinous material.

12. (Original) An electrically driven power steering apparatus according to claim 10, wherein said connection member connects said presser member to said ball screw nut so as to be unable to relatively rotate by use of a frictional force.

13. (Cancelled)

14. (New) An electrically driven power steering apparatus according to claim 10, wherein said presser member and said ball screw nut are connected to be unable to relatively rotate, by caulking.